

One day last week the Civil Service commission advertised to give out jobs for charwomen, laborers and such like positions. They do this every year, and every year there is the same old story, a regular mob of wringing,

from Chicago, and has had it at anchor in the Potomac all Winter. A fishing schooner came up the river one night last week when the wind was blowing a gale, and crashed into the yacht, making a \$2,000 hole in her starboard side. The Venice is said to be one of the handsomest vessels of her kind afloat. She doesn't look so pretty just now, however.

Representative Dawson, of Iowa, wanted a biological station out in his "electrict" somewhere, and he littered up half a dozen desks with his freshwater mussel clam shells of various kinds, and along with them the buttons

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